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TREATMENT OF FLUENT FOOD PRODUCTS

LETTER

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In reply to the Notice of File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated August 29, 2000, please be advised that no parts are missing. The parent application (Serial No. 09/273,713) includes a small entity statement filed on April 26, 1999. In addition, the attached copy of the Patent Office mailing receipt card indicates receipt of the declaration and filing fee for this divisional application.

Also, the indication on the filing receipt that the Continuing Data as claimed by applicant is inconsistent with the Patent Office records is incorrect. Applicant's file shows that the continuing data is correct. A corrected filing receipt is requested and a duplicate copy of this letter is attached in this regard.

Respectfully submitted,


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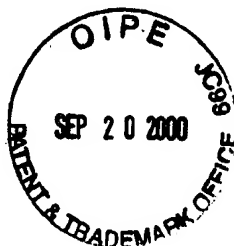


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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- Small Entity Statement is missing.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 475.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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